## Exhibit "1"

## **Scope of Expenditures**

1. The following is the scope of expenditures to be funded by the CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund For Local Governments received by the County of San Bernardino:

The following scope of expenditures sustains operations and increases dispatch capacity in support of the regional response to the current COVID-19 pandemic:

- Emergency Community Nurse System (Nurse Triage Program): As an accredited center for Emergency Medical Dispatch Confire has the ability to expand the Emergency Medical Dispatch (EMD) program to incorporate a nurse element that would allow for the further screening of certain calls that can assist in identifying potential COVID-19 or other communicable-disease cases and directing them to appropriate treatment and transportation options. Utilizing nurses provided by the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District with Confire's expanded dispatch capabilities, protocols will be implemented to ensure the patient gets to the correct treatment site. This proactive approach of installing nurses in the dispatch center provides for the appropriate care and safety measures for all involved.
- Regional Dispatch Improvements: The San Bernardino County Fire Protection District staffing support costs associated with Confire's Investment in technological improvements at the Hesperia location, to enable seamless operations between the two locations. This investment will provide for full redundancy should one location or center become impacted by COVID-19 infection. More specifically, Confire must invest in technological improvements at the Hesperia location to enable seamless operations between its two locations (Rialto and Hesperia). This investment will provide for full redundancy should one location or center become impacted by the current COVID-19 pandemic. Staffing necessary to support the Hesperia center includes a command level officer, additional supervision and a computerized mapping analyst, costs of which may incurred by Confire and SBCFPD. In addition, lessons learned from 9-1-1 centers located in impacted COVID-19 hot spots indicate that the procurement of portable call-taking equipment is vital in increasing the capacity for multiple dispatch centers to work together.

The above programs/projects will enable the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District to sustain and expand its capability for response to the COVID-19 pandemic with investment into critical infrastructure of the region.

The use of CARES Act funds for these programs/projects is permissible as the costs for the San Bernardino County Fire Protection District:

- are necessary expenditures incurred due to the public health emergency with respect to COVID-19;
- were not accounted for in the budget most recently approved as of March 27, 2020 (the date of enactment of the CARES Act); and
- were incurred during the period that begins March 1, 2020 and ends December 30, 2020.
- 2. Not-to-exceed amount of expenditures described in 1, above, incurred and paid during the period of March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020 is \$475,000.
- 3. Test:
  - a. Is the expense connected to the current COVID-19 emergency and, if yes, how?
    - Yes. COVID-19 is an ongoing pandemic. The expense will allow Emergency Medical Services (EMS) to respond better in the current COVID-19 pandemic.
  - b. Is the expense "necessary" due to the COVID-19 emergency and, if yes, how?
    - Yes, the expense is necessary to ensure efficiency in response, better protect first responders and to assure COVID-19 related patients are transported to appropriate destinations. The nurse triage capability could help re-direct certain callers to more appropriate treatment options, thereby averting a dispatch to first responders. This investment will also provide for full redundancy of regional dispatch capabilities should one location or center become impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.
  - c. If the expense includes meeting payroll expenses for public safety, public health, health care, human services, and similar employees, are these services substantially dedicated to mitigating or responding to the COVID-19 public health emergency and, if yes, how?
    - Resources are substantially dedicated to the COVID-19 crisis as dispatchers, and nurses providing emergency medical services.
  - d. Is the expense filling a short fall in government revenues?

No

e. Is the expense funded through another budget line item, allotment or allocation, as of March 27, 2020?

No

- f. True or false: The expense would not exist without COVID-19 OR would be for a "substantially different" purpose.
  - i. If true, please explain.

CARES Act funding is necessary to provide immediate funding for this program in a manner that would help re-direct certain callers to more appropriate treatment options, thereby averting a dispatch to first responders. It will better protect first responders from COVID-19 and assure COVID-19 related patients are transported to appropriate destinations.

g. The CARES Act Coronavirus Relief Fund is considered as federal financial assistance under the Single Audit Act and is subject to 2 CFR Part 200, including but not limited to 2 CFR 200.303 (internal control), 200.330 thru 2000.332 (subrecipient monitoring and management), and subpart F (audit). Does your agency have adequate policies and procedures in place to be in compliance with the requirements of 2 CFR Part 200 as prescribed by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB)?

Yes.